IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

FRIDAY, THE SEVENTH DAY OF OCTOBER
TWO THOUSAND AND FIVE

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE K.C. BHANU

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WRIT PETITION NO : 22070 of 2005

Between:

K.B.Anjanappa, S/o.Hanumanthappa,
R/o. Tarakapuram Village,

Bommanahal Mandal, Anantapur district.

..... PETITIONER

AND

1. The Joint Collector, Anantapur.

2. The Revenue Divisional Officer,

Dharmavaram, Anantapur district.

3. The Mandal Revenue Officer,

Bommanahal Mandal, Anantapur district.

...RESPONDENTS

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ORDER:

Challenging the order of the Joint Collector-1st respondent passed in Rc.K4/DMV/326/2005 dated 13.05.2005 directing the second

respondent-Revenue Divisional Officer to conclude the disciplinary proceedings against the petitioner expeditiously, the present writ petition has been filed.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contended that when the authorities came to the conclusion that the petitioner committed certain irregularities in distribution of PDS rice to the coupon holders and E.Cs. to the cardholders and issued show cause notice, no justice would be done if the first respondent does an enquiry.

3. Learned Government Pleader for Civil Supplies opposed the same on the ground that appropriate enquiry has to be conducted by the first respondent in accordance with law after giving an opportunity. The suspension of authorization of the petitioner is only pending enquiry, perhaps that is the reason the Joint Collector gave a direction to the Revenue Divisional Officer to complete the enquiry as expeditiously as possible after giving an opportunity to the petitioner. Therefore, the petition can raise all his defences before the first respondent.

4. Hence, without entering into the merits of the case, the writ petition is disposed of directing the first respondent to complete the enquiry within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

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K.C.BHANU, J.

Date: 07th October 2005.

Note:

Issue CC by two days.

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